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***Sent Via Email***

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Dear Ms. Anson:

This letter is our final response to your Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (CDC/ATSDR) Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request of July 29, 2018, referred to CDC on August 3, 2018, by the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) for our direct response to you because the subject of your request pertains to CDC records. Your request was assigned #18-00959-FOIA, seeking:

“[A]ll reports, studies and analysis relating to the effectiveness and impact of the 2016 CDC Guideline for Prescribing Opioids for Chronic Pain specifically how the guideline has affected patients, physicians, opioid prescribing, and the quality of pain management in the United States since the guideline was released on March 15, 2016.”

Please note that CDC offers online information about reports, studies, and other useful material related to opioids. The material may be of particular interest to you and may satisfy your informational needs. You may view and download the material at the following links:

MMWR Opioid reports

[https://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/opioid\\_reports.html](https://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/opioid_reports.html)

CDC Opioid publications

<https://www.cdc.gov/drugoverdose/>

Opioid related studies:

<https://www.cdc.gov/ruralhealth/drug-overdose/policybrief.html>

Other useful material related to Opioids can be found at:

[https://emergency.cdc.gov/coca/ppt/2016/slides\\_120616\\_risk\\_mitigation\\_strategies\\_reduce\\_opioid\\_over\\_doses.pdf](https://emergency.cdc.gov/coca/ppt/2016/slides_120616_risk_mitigation_strategies_reduce_opioid_over_doses.pdf)

[https://emergency.cdc.gov/coca/calls/2016/callinfo\\_121316.asp](https://emergency.cdc.gov/coca/calls/2016/callinfo_121316.asp)

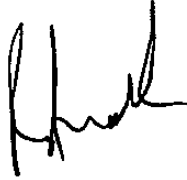
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<https://www.cdc.gov/vitalsigns/opioid-prescribing/index.html>

<https://www.cdc.gov/vitalsigns/pdf/2017-07-vitalsigns.pdf>

If you need any further assistance or would like to discuss any aspect of the records provided please contact either our FOIA Requester Service Center at 770-488-6399 or our FOIA Public Liaison at 770-488-6277.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Roger Andoh', with a stylized, cursive script.

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